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ANNUAL REPORT

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SELECTMEN, TREASURER,

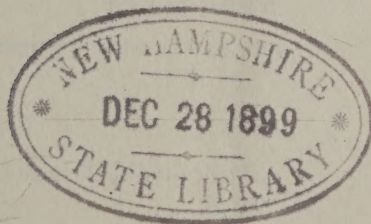
—AND—

Superintending School Committee

—OF THE—

Town of Kensington,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1882.



EXETER, N. H.:
THE GAZETTE STEAM PRINTING HOUSE.
1882.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

VALUATION OF TOWN INCLUDING POLLS, \$267,387.

Rate, State, County, Town and School tax, \$1.64 per 100.
Highway tax 19c per 100.

APPROPRIATIONS.

Contingent expenses,	\$600 00
Schools,	653 00
State tax,	632 00
County tax,	944 75
Debt and interest,	1500 00

TOWN DEBT.

Three notes bearing interest at 4 per cent,	2300 00
Three bonds " " 5 "	3000 00
Assets,	243 63
Total net debt,	5056 37
Remaining in hands of Collector, 1875,	20 75
" " " 1879,	39 93
" " " 1881,	182 95

LAROE S. SANBORN, } Selectmen
CHARLES A. EVANS, } of
DANIEL E. PALMER,, } Kensington.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Harrison Rowe, Treasurer, in account with the Town of Kensington, for the year ending March 1, 1882.

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To cash received of J. A. Blake, Treasurer for 1881,	\$405 15
To Amos T. Rowe, Collector for 1870,	1 80
J. W. Brown, " " 1876,	12 75
L. S. Sanborn, " " 1877,	17 06
S. N. Hobbs, " " 1878,	8 74
" " " 1879,	28 58
F. A. Mace, " " 1880,	154 78
" " " 1881,	4342 20
County Commissioners for support of Jemima Hilton,	77 00
County Commissioners for support of Betsey Greenlief,	45 00
State Treas. Savings Bank tax,	268 04
" " Railroad tax,	26 85
" " Literary Fund,	43 00
" " Bounty on foxes and hawks,	41 00
Fred S. Hatch for books,	50 00
Abraham Eaton in part payment for land sold for taxes,	9 00
Money hired for use of Town,	550 00
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TREASURER'S REPORT.

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Paid by payments as follows, by order of the Selectmen :

Paid State tax,	632 00
County tax.	944 75
For support of schools,	696 00
Support of poor,	122 00
Making snow paths,	474 27
Highways and bridges,	169 79
Contingent expenses,	129 19
Bounty on hawks and crows,	6 80
Notes and interest,	2,489 17
Non-resident highway taxes,	45 63
Abatements,	37 68
Services of Town officers,	212 67
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	5959 95
Balance in hands of Treasurer.	119 00

SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

Paid S. M. Kimball Prudential Committee, District			
No. 1.			333 00
T. K. Mace,	"	Dist., No. 2,	363 00
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			696 00

SUPPORT OF POOR.

Paid Jemima Hilton for support one year to			
March 18, 1882,			77 00
Betsey Greenlief to March 20, 1882,			45 00
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			122 00

SNOW BILLS SINCE MARCH 1st, 1881.

Paid J. P. Lamprey, Surveyor,		49 00
F. L. Wadleigh,	"	31 05
B. F. Lovering,	"	57 35
L. S. Sanborn,	"	55 93
L. E. Gove,	"	63 20
J. N. Austin,	"	55 90
Frank Collins,	"	34 20
David Brown,	"	28 35
C. A. Evans,	"	55 15
C. A. Evans, A J. Shaw's District,		12 10
J. N. Healey,		15 75
A. J. Shaw,		16 20
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		474 27

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Paid L. E. Gove, for labor on Meadow road bridge,	22 10
Joel Hodgdon,	42 71
Geo. Brown	10 50
F. E. Brown,	9 00
S. N. Hobbs,	20 00
E. J. Blodgett,	2 55
Jeremiah Hilliard,	1 50
W. N. Shaw, labor and lumber,	23 00
E. G. Hobbs for gravel,	3 00
L. S. Sanborn, extra labor on highway,	1 95
“ Bridge plank,	9 02
S. N. Kimball, labor and lumber,	1 00
J. N. Austin, labor,	2 87
T. C. Shaw, “	2 25
David Brown, “	3 00
F. Collins repairs on bridges,	8 10
L. E. Gove, labor,	7 24
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	169 79

CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

Paid Auditors,	2 50
Geo. E. Lane, Invoice record book,	13 00
Wingate & Shaw, printing town reports,	14 00
T. H. Blake, washing town house,	2 00
“ “ painting “	15 00
J. W. Getchell for paint,	17 17
Ira Fellows for attending with hearse eleven funerals,	13 75

Paid L. S. Sanborn, time and expense to settle with	
State Treasurer,	5 00
G. M. Gove, damage to plow on highway,	2 16
F. Mace, half cord pine wood,	2 00
Fellows & Carter, sawing wood,	50
J. French, maintaining watering trough,	2 00
W. S. Hobbs, " "	2 00
F. A. Mace, collecting 1880,	1 55
Dr. C. H. Sanborn, returning births and deaths.	2 00
Dr. Odlin, returning births and deaths,	1 50
Dr. Douglass, " "	1 00
F. S. Hatch's, advice,	1 00
L. C. Rand, books for needy scholars,	1 60
D. E. Palmer, postage and books,	1 39
" " Time to Exeter, on the Cilley case,	1 00
D. E. Palmer, moving Cilley family,	1 00
L. S. Sanborn, stationery and books,	2 96
" " Rope for hearse house,	50
" " Warrants,	15
" " Collecting taxes, 1877,	17
D. E. Palmer, to settle with County,	1 00
Henry Mitchell, for furnishing a church for J. W. Patterson's lecture,	1 25
L. S. Sanborn, journey to Brentwood,	3 00
W. N. Shaw, repairing cemetery wall,	1 50
J. N. Austin, services as Moderator at March meeting,	1 50
C. A. Evans, removing incumbrance from highway,	2 00
C. A. Evans, time and expense in relation to Cilley family,	4 50
C. A. Evans, to settle with County,	1 00

A. Hilliard, repairs on Town house,	60
T. C. Shaw, damage to sheep by dogs,	4 00
H. D. Peacock and others, for boarding and lodging transient persons.	2 00
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BOUNTIES ON HAWKS AND CROWS.

Paid Howard Wadleigh and others,	\$6 80
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NOTES AND INTEREST.

Paid J. N. Healey, note and interest,	\$1249 00
J. Tilton, endorsement and interest,	250 17
Emily L. Lamprey, note and interest,	795 00
Sarah J. Lamprey, interest,	45 00
Laura E. Hoagg, interest,	150 00
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	\$2489 17

ABATEMENTS 1880.

Paid J. K. Leavitt,	\$1 56
J. E. Brown,	1 56
B. F. Tuttle,	7 80
B. F. Lovering, horse died 1881,	83
A. G. M. Titcomb, cow died,	36
Norris Robie, “	41
P. Sanborn, 2nd “	70
J. W. Brown, 2 horses died,	74
Joseph Tilton, horse died,	1 40
Charles Dow, horse and cow died,	84
Philip Brown, 1879,	2 34
Charles Hull,	1 65

Lavinia Ramsdell,	59
Lucinda Martin, 1878,	8 74
Mark Wadleigh, 1876,	8 16
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	\$37 68

· SERVICES OF TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid Selectmen, for ordinary services,	\$27 00
Taking inventory,	24 00
Signing and delivering blanks,	8 50
Receiving blanks,	11 00
As Overseers of Poor,	3 00
Examining wood land,	13 00
L. S. Sanborn, making taxes and re- cording inventory,	10 00
L. S. Sanborn, making Surveyor's warrants,	1 00
L. S. Sanborn, returning inventory to Concord,	2 00
L. S. Sanborn, meeting at Town House,	1 50
L. S. Sanborn, County Commissioners,	25
T. H. Blake, services as Town Clerk,	22 00
Lizette C. Rand, services as Superintending School Committee,	15 00
Supervisors for March election,	6 00
Harrison Rowe, services as Treasurer,	25 00
Frank A. Mace, collecting, 1881,	43 42
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	\$212 67

Kensington, March 2nd, 1882.

Having examined the foregoing accounts, we find them correctly cast and properly vouched and approve the same.

AMOS T. ROWE. }
JOSEPH N. AUSTIN, } Auditors.

REPORT

—OF—

Superintending School Committee

—OF THE—

TOWN OF KENSINGTON,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1881.

REPORT OF THE Superintending School Committee.

For the year ending March 1, 1882.

At the commencement, of the school year, it was ascertained that a number of scholars between the ages of six and nine years, were unable to read writing, and a number between the ages of nine and twelve were unable to write simple sentences. But the introduction of Harrington's Graded Spelling Book, and the necessary practice required in the preparation of the lessons, have caused a wonderful improvement. Now, all the scholars over seven years of age, can write simple sentences, and many can write long lessons.

Believing that a "good letter is a sure sign of a sound education," much attention has been given to letter writing, and great progress has been made. Some excellent letters from the larger pupils have been examined by the committee, and some very good ones by little girls of seven.

DISTRICT No. 1.

STEPHEN M. KIMBALL, *Prudential Committee.*MISS SARAH E. LANE, *Teacher.*

Miss Lane is a teacher of several years' experience, and has some excellent ideas in regard to making her pupils work. She is a very conscientious lady, and feels that she has not been able to do justice to all her pupils, as the school is large, and she has twenty-five different classes to hear daily, besides attending to general exercises, penmanship, and composition. At the examinations, and on different visits of the committee, the recitations have been very interesting. An exercise, in the combinations of numbers and historical dates, deserves especial mention. The pupils in the school had a fine exhibition at the Town House, and obtained money enough to buy a Webster's Unabridged Dictionary, and a number of wall maps. At the closing examination, an excellent exercise, in regard to President Lincoln, was recited by the scholars, and some fine compositions read. Wages of teacher per month, \$38.00. Summer term, 11 weeks; number of scholars, 44. Fall term, 12 weeks; number of scholars, 43. Winter term, 9 weeks; number of scholars, 45. Number of scholars attending to each study one term: reading, 45, spelling, 45, penmanship 40, arithmetic, 42, geography, 37, grammar 26, history, 10, composition 18, book-keeping 3, algebra 8, philosophy 4.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Not absent or tardy during the year, Frank L. Tucke, Frank Philbrick, Perley Rollins, Annie A. Tucke.

DISTRICT No. 2.—EAST SCHOOL.

Theodore K. Mace, *Prudential Committee.*Miss Hattie D. Burgess, *Teacher.*

Miss Burgess has succeeded admirably in winning the love and confidence of her pupils, and one of them gave

her a high tribute of praise, by saying that she made the lessons deeply interesting. "While her whole number of scholars was only thirty-two; the average number was thirty." At the examinations, and on different visits of the committee, the "readiness and fluency of the recitations have evinced careful study, and told well for the training of the school." Five or ten minutes have been devoted daily to vocal music, and the singing was excellent and formed a pleasing feature of their entertainments. They obtained money enough to buy a clock, some wall maps, and a very pretty picture to adorn the school room.

Wages of teacher per month, \$24.

Summer term, 8 weeks. Number of scholars, 33; Fall term, 15 weeks. Number of scholars, 36. Number of scholars attending to each study one term: Reading, 36; Spelling, 36; Penmanship, 36; Arithmetic, 32; Geography, 17; Grammar, 10; History, 6; Composition, 21; Vocal Music, 36; Physiology, 5; Algebra, 4.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Not absent or tardy during the year. Rose Evans, aged 6 years, 4 months; Georgie Beckman, aged 6 years, 7 months.

DISTRICT No. 2.—WEST SCHOOL.

Theodore K. Mace, *Prudential Committee*.

Mr. Charles W. Eastman, *Teacher*.

This is Mr. Eastman's second year in this District and the scholars have made remarkable progress under his instruction. In written spelling, the little ones have exceeded the most sanguine expectations of parents and committee, and the recitations of these small children, in Geography and Historical Dates, deserve great praise. With one exception, the order has been *perfect*, proving Mr. Eastman to be a fine *disciplinarian*, and we think

the parents generally would accord him the praise of being a superior teacher. He does not encourage idleness, and gives the children work enough, without taxing them too severely. He and his sister, with the assistance of some presents furnished by parents, decorated a very large Christmas Tree, which was a source of much pleasure to those who had never seen one.

Wages of teacher per month, \$24.

Summer term, 7.7 weeks. Number of scholars, 19; Fall Term, 14.8 weeks. Number of scholars, 23; Number of scholars attending to each study one term: Reading, 23; Spelling, 22; Penmanship, 19; Arithmetic, 19; Geography, 7; Grammar, 6; History 3; Composition, 10; Book-keeping, 1; Algebra, 1; Geometry, 1.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Not absent during one term; Roscoe Fellows, Charles E. Austin, Carrie E. Foss, Florence G. Hull, Mary Hull.

LIZETTE C. RAND, Supt. Com.

Kensington, Feb. 18, 1882.